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Greetings from the Office of the Mayor:

Summertime in Cudahy is a valued time where we enjoy many community, civic, and private sector events. The summer of 2016 was no exception with residents and visitors alike enjoying what Cudahy has to offer.

We are truly blessed to have a community involved with civic celebrations such as Arbor Day, Cudahy Historical Society's Bike Auction & Rummage Sale, the 128th Civic Dinner Dance, Memorial Day, Fourth of July parade and daylong celebration, National Night Out, City Lounges City Limits Fest, Patrick Cudahy's Race For the Bacon, Sheridan Park Friends and Friends of Pulaski Park Blue Grass events, and Cudahy Lion's Club Sweet Applewood Days—just to name a few. Events such as these certainly add to our sense of community.

Business attraction and retention continue to be a major focus of my administration. I am pleased to report that both new additions at Patrick Cudahy are operational and have been constructed with additional capacity in mind. Additionally, the Squire Village Apartments are complete with a two year waiting list for people wanting to move into downtown Cudahy. CLE Haven Cudahy Assisted Living on Barnard Avenue continues ahead of schedule. Their phase two of construction should be open later this fall.

In January 2016, ground-breaking occurred for Layton Square on the corners of Layton and Kingan Avenues—a mixed-use retail/ commercial and residential development. Thanks to a mild winter, construction remains several months ahead of schedule. Although difficult to rent a building currently under construction, Bear Development

informs us that interest remains strong. They are looking forward to an early completion and occupancy.

After the closing of the Tax Incremental Financing District #1 and the final expenditure period (which runs through 2021), the City and Department of Economic Development will continue to market other Community Development Authority (CDA) owned properties within the district. While signs that our economy have improved, it still takes commitment from the private market place to make development work.

Most recently, after years of lack of development in our Pennsylvania and Layton Avenue corridor, the City began a focused approach to facilitate development along this corridor. A statutory Redevelopment Plan was approved by the CDA in January 2016, and the City began working with true environmental information on that former landfill site. This allowed the City to meet with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to facilitate construction on that site. To that end, the City has received letters of intent and is finalizing purchase agreements for a fast-food restaurant and extended stay hotel (with an option to build a second hotel).

Construction on these first two buildings is tentatively scheduled for 2017. The City of Cudahy will also be putting in the municipal infrastructure during 2017 in this Environmental Tax Increment District to continue to facilitate this, and other development on the development site.

Structurally, we are an older community, therefore, we have created a business friendly attitude where your local government works with those who want

to repurpose older buildings. To that end, we have seen many existing buildings given new life here in our community over the last several months. The former South Short YMCA was purchased by the Federation of the Balkan Americans for the use as a physical fitness center, a very similar use to the former YMCA. In addition to this use, after holding public hearing before the Plan Commission, many other additional conditional and ancillary uses were approved for the facility such as sports leagues and tournaments, weekend and afterschool activities and clubs (basketball, swimming, soccer, ping pong, chess, etc.). Birthday parties and other celebrations centered on use of gym, pool, and sports fields, ACT/SAT and other educational courses and instruction, fitness, yoga, dance, music, and theatre classes and instruction, sale of pre-packaged snacks and foods, community celebrations and events will also be allowed.

In addition to this development, other establishments have relocated to various buildings within our community such as East Side Ovens (5344 S. Packard), PG Foods (3675-77 E. Pulaski), Joshua Kurpius Photography (3702 E. Barnard) and Temple Control Systems Inc. (6009 S. Kingan). While they may not be retail businesses, they are a testament to the vibrancy of Cudahy, proving that we are a community where businesses want to operate and locate.

The city has committed to continue to fix our aging infrastructure in roads, sewers and water lines. While State and Federal funding has continued to decrease throughout the years, we at the local level are committed to utilize and borrow funds responsibly to facilitate these projects.

A major milling and overlay project occurred during June of 2016 to provide new life to some of our aging streets. Packard Avenue, from Cudahy Avenue to our northern border, is having nearly century-old water and sewer lines replaced as part of the road reconstruction in 2017. Kirkwood Avenue from Grange Avenue north is currently in the process of a much needed reconstruction. The extension of Barnard Avenue (from Sweet Apple Wood Lane to Barland Ave), was combined with the Kirkwood Avenue project bid which resulted in significant savings on both projects. Going forward, the City will remain committed to fixing our local

infrastructure. While the average age of the 58.5 lane miles is around 32 years, we have many stretches of roadway which have far outlived their useful lifetime and must be fully reconstructed.

It's not often that a City has the opportunity to rebuild their main street. Packard Avenue reopened in October 2015. The new plantings and finishing touches were put in place by our Department of Public Works this spring and summer. We have received many compliments from our residents and guests about the new look of downtown Cudahy. Our small businesses appreciate your support as our downtown continues to thrive. As always, I ask our residents to shop all of our local great Cudahy businesses!

The Common Council and other governing bodies have continued to remain active through the spring and summer period. In June, the City received our annual Financial Audit of all city funds and I am happy to report that our city's financial house is in order. A copy of the audit can be found on the cities website under the Clerk/Treasurer page.

During the month of July, the Common Council approved and authorized the Mayor and Water Utility to submit an application for private home owners to have access to a loan program being administered through the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and funded by the Environmental Protection Agency, for lead water service replacement on their private property. Since a current replacement project is starting on the north end of the community on Packard Avenue, the City of Cudahy was notified that federal funds would be made available to residents within the project area. We are slowly learning the details of this program and are communicating this to the residents in the project area.

During the months of July and August, working with my administrative team and our city's outside financial advisors, we identified several previously issued bonds on behalf of the Community Development Authority, City, and Sewer Utility which were available for refinancing efforts. After successful ratings presentations to both Moody's and S & P, the Common Council awarded the refinancing bond sales on the evening of Tuesday August 16th netting the City a savings of \$235,316

over four years on the Taxable General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2016D and \$182,989 over thirteen years on the Storm Water Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016E. The City will continue to explore every option to save our citizens money and reduces taxes which include debt service payments.

In closing, as your Mayor, I will continue to advocate on your behalf to other taxing jurisdictions for support of our community. The City of Cudahy only controls approximately 30 cents of your tax dollar, the other 70 cents is taxed by other taxing jurisdictions. I will continue to run a cost-effective municipal government that provides exceptional services to our residents. Our community has a lot to offer. I encourage you to participate in the many activities and utilize the wonderful amenities of your community.

John R. Hohenfeldt
Mayor

Cudahy- St. Francis Interfaith Program for the Elderly

Phone: 414-483-4474

Email: csfinterfaith@hotmail.com

Hours of Operation:

Monday 8:30 am to Noon
12:30 pm to 3:30 pm
Wednesday 8:30 am to 1:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Project Concern of Cudahy- St. Francis

Food pantry and clothing bank for Cudahy and St. Francis

Phone: 414-744-0645

Email: projconcern@msn.com

Hours of Operation:

Monday 9:00 am to Noon
3:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Wednesday 9:00 am to Noon
Friday 9:00 am to Noon
Helping neighbors in need with food
1st Saturday of every month 9 am to 11 am
For more info: www.projectconcerncudahy.org

Upcoming Community Events:

- **2016 Home Town Holiday Celebration**, sponsored by the Cudahy Family Library and Civic Celebrations Committee. Saturday, **November 26, 2016 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** at the Cudahy Family Library. Join the fun for a magic show, visit from Santa, music and the Holiday Tree Lighting. Save the date!
- **2017 Budget and Tax Levy Public Hearing**, Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Common Council Chambers of City Hall, 5050 S. Lake Drive.

Watch for more details regarding these and other community events at www.cudahy-wi.gov news page or on our **Facebook Page**. Like us on **Facebook: City of Cudahy Wisconsin**

In an effort to promote our local businesses each month, the Office of the Mayor features a different spotlight on business. The current monthly feature as well as archives of previous features can be found on the city of Cudahy website www.cudahy-wi.gov Economic Development Page under the local business spotlight.

Visit the City of Cudahy Website at www.cudahy-wi.gov for news, information and announcements from community organizations and businesses. Since traditional media sources cover less of this information, the City has made a concerted effort to help keep our community informed.

ELECTION INFORMATION:
GENERAL ELECTION (PRESIDENTIAL)

November 8, 2016 – Reminder: All of Districts 4 & 5 vote at Mitchell School, 5950 S. Illinois Avenue enter from Ramsey Ave. Parking Lot.

**Note: Per State Stats 6.86(1)(b), the City of Cudahy Clerk's Office cannot have extended hours past those that have been posted in the official notice below. We appreciate your understanding!*

**November 8, 2016 – GENERAL ELECTION
VOTING BY ABSENTEE BALLOT**

Any qualified elector who is unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place on Election Day may request to vote an absentee ballot. A qualified elector is any U.S. citizen, who will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day, who has resided in the ward or municipality where he or she wishes to vote for at least 10 consecutive days before the election. The elector must also be registered in order to receive an absentee ballot. Proof of identification must be provided before an absentee ballot may be issued.

You must make a request for an absentee ballot in writing.

Contact your municipal clerk and request that an application for an absentee ballot be sent to you for the election. You may also submit a written request in the form of a letter. Your written request must list your voting address within the municipality where you wish to vote, the address where the absentee ballot should be sent, if different, and your signature. You may make application for an absentee ballot by mail, email or in person.

Making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail

The deadline for making application to receive an absentee ballot by mail is:
5 pm on the fifth day before the election, **November 3, 2016**

Note: Special absentee voting application provisions apply to electors who are indefinitely confined to home or a care facility, in the military, hospitalized, or serving as a sequestered juror. If this applies to you, contact the municipal clerk regarding deadlines for requesting and submitting an absentee ballot.

Voting an absentee ballot in person

You may also request and vote an absentee ballot in the clerk's office or other specified location during the days and hours specified for casting an absentee ballot in person.

City of Cudahy City Hall, 5050 S. Lake Drive, Cudahy, WI 53110

DATES	HOURS	LOCATION
October 24, 2016 (Monday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
October 25, 2016 (Tuesday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
October 26, 2016 (Wednesday)	7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
October 27, 2016 (Thursday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
October 28, 2016 (Friday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
October 31, 2016 (Monday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
November 1, 2016 (Tuesday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
November 2, 2016 (Wednesday)	7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
November 3, 2016 (Thursday)	7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office
November 4, 2016 (Friday)	7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	City Clerk's Office

No in-person absentee voting may occur on the day before the Election.

The municipal clerk will deliver voted ballots returned on or before Election Day to the proper polling place before the polls close on November 8, 2016. Any ballots received after the polls close will not be counted.

Dennis Broderick, City Clerk broderickd@ci.cudahy.wi.us (414) 769-2204 5050 S. Lake Drive, Cudahy, WI 53110

PAYMENT OF 2016 PROPERTY TAXES

OUR HOURS FOR TAX COLLECTION ARE 7:30 AM TO 3:00 PM

Make check or money order payable to: Treasurer - City of Cudahy and Mail To:

City of Cudahy Treasurer's Office

PO Box 100510

Cudahy, WI 53110-6108

Pay in Person at:

Cudahy City Hall, 5050 S. Lake Dr., Monday through Friday, **7:30AM to 3PM**

Pay (full payments only) at the following Financial Institutions in the City of Cudahy: UNTIL January 31, 2017

Chase Bank.....4702 S. Packard Ave.

TruStone Credit Union.....5570 S. Packard Ave.

North Shore Bank.....3233 E. Layton Ave.

BMO/Harris (exact amount only).....4677 S. Packard Ave.

Landmark Credit Union.....4801 S. Packard Ave.

TCF Bank.....5851 S. Packard Ave.

Prime Financial5656 S. Packard Ave.

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS:

Due Dates: **January 31, 2017** - **March 31, 2017** - **May 31, 2017**

Mail to: City of Cudahy Treasurer's Office PO Box 100510 Cudahy, WI 53110-6108

- **If you require a receipt, enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your payment, posted payments can be viewed & printed from the Cudahy web site:** www.cudahy-wi.gov

Payments may be dropped in the night depository box at City Hall located in front of City Hall next to the northern most entrance. *Note: Payments deposited in the night box on 12/31/16 will be credited for 2016.*

Tax bills are mailed to the **OWNER(S)** on record for Real Estate property in the City of Cudahy. *If you are not the owner of the property described on the bill you receive, please forward it to the owner or return it to the City Treasurer's Office.* For any properties sold or titles recorded after October 2016, we will make every attempt to forward current tax bills to new owners.

CHECK(S) should be payable to: Treasurer, or City of Cudahy. Please **DO NOT STAPLE** your check to your tax bill and **DO NOT COMBINE** with any other payments (such as water bills, dog licensing or special collections). Checks not properly completed or endorsed will be returned unprocessed and your taxes could become delinquent. Receipts are not valid until the check clears our bank. **Note: We now accept charge cards and debit cards.****

The date of payment from **ESCROW ACCOUNTS** is determined by the signed agreement you have with your bank. **Please check your agreement or call your bank to verify that your ESCROW CHECK will be mailed on time.**

All persons listed as payee on an escrow check must endorse the check in order to process payment. Avoid delays in processing and possibly falling delinquent by remembering to **sign your check**. Please note **THE FULL AMOUNT OF YOUR ESCROW CHECK MUST BE APPLIED TO YOUR TAX BILL**. If the escrow check exceeds the full amount due, overpayment refund will be issued by mail by the City of Cudahy by check.

****CREDIT CARDS: We now accept MasterCard, Visa, American Express, Discover & Debit Cards (credit). The fee is 2.75% of total paid. If you use a Visa Debit card, the fee is \$3.95 per transaction.**

City Hall will be closed December 23, December 26, December 30, 2016 & January 2, 2017
CLERK/TREASURER'S OFFICE

For your convenience, we now accept credit and debit card payments for Taxes, Utilities, Police Citations, and miscellaneous charges. We contract with GovPayNet for this service. Their fees for any individual who chooses to utilize this service are as follows:

Utilities & Miscellaneous

Transaction Range	Service Fee Amount
\$0.01 - \$50.00	\$1.75
\$50.01 - \$75.00	2.00
\$75.01 - \$100.00	3.75
\$100.01 - \$150.00	5.75
\$150.01 - \$200.00	7.25

**For each additional increment of \$50.00,
Or portion thereof, add \$2.00**

Tax Payments

Visa Debit = \$3.95 flat fee.

**All other debit and charge cards fee is 3.75% of
amount placed on card. (This 3.75% applies
only to tax payments.**

**If you require Phone-Assisted Service with a live agent at GovPayNet additional fees apply.
All service fees are Non-refundable**

Note: Utilities and taxes can be paid online. Our website is www.Cudahy-wi.gov. Click the “payment” key on the left side and proceed. Miscellaneous billings must be processed over the counter.

Fees: The City does not absorb charge card fees as we feel they should be paid by those who choose to use this service- not as part of the tax levy which affects all taxpayers.

Based on the above fee schedule GovPayNet accepts the following credit, debit or prepaid debit cards:

MasterCard - VISA - American Express - Discover - Debit Cards



PIT BULL PERMITS

The City of Cudahy has an ordinance requiring a Special Pit Bull Permit. This permit is required for all Pit Bulls residing in the City of Cudahy. There is a \$50.00 fee renewable every January 1st and other requirements. Please refer to our website www.cudahy-wi.gov. Click on Residents, then on Pet Licensing Information. The ordinance and the permit are both available for review and download. The special Cudahy Pit Bull license is required in addition to the regular dog license.

Neighborhood Loan Programs

Duplex Conversion Loan Eligibility – \$20,000 (5)

Eligible work includes electrical, plumbing, interior stairs, load-bearing or partition wall changes, and structural access changes.

Attic Improvement Loan Eligibility \$20,000 (5)

Eligible work includes weatherization, insulation, electrical, plumbing, interior stairs, structural wall or roof-line changes, upper-level window additions, and access changes. All work must contribute to new habitable space.

Loan Terms

Zero-interest deferred loans. Loans are paid back when homes are sold, refinanced, or no longer owner-occupied. Early repayment is encouraged which will insure Program success and longevity.

Terms and Conditions

General Eligibility

- Home must be a **single-family** or **two-family** residence **occupied by the owner**.
- Based on fair market home value limits. Property values cannot **exceed \$325,462 single family and \$270,808 for a duplex** (subject to change if new median value set by City). No value limits for Duplex Conversion Loans.
- Standard banking underwriting requirements will also apply.

General Conditions

- The applicant must apply for the programs through North Shore Bank and provide all requested paperwork from Checklist and fully complete program application.
- The applicant must make the house accessible to a City of Cudahy building inspector.
- Applicant must sign a lien and promissory note on the property.
- Applicant must be in good standing on any present mortgages and real estate taxes.
- Work must be completed by a contractor.
- The City of Cudahy reserves the right to refuse to issue a loan if the condition of the house is unworkable and beyond a state of reasonable repair

Other information

- The City may be in first, second, or third Mortgage Lien position.
- Waiting lists for program are taken at City of Cudahy.

To view complete Program Manual Visit:

<http://www.cudahy-wi.gov>

[Click on Neighborhood Loan Program](#)

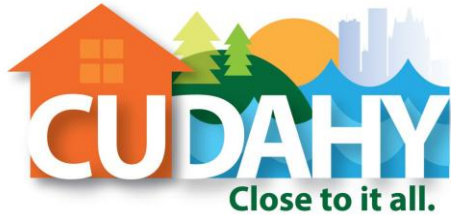
Contacts

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North Shore Bank

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3233 East Layton Avenue
Cudahy, WI 53110
(414) 294-4640
rapplegarth@northshorebank



The Cudahy Tourism Commission

Our Mission:

To develop and position the City of Cudahy as an attractive destination through the promotion and advocacy of local events, attractions and businesses.

Visit us on the City of Cudahy Web Site:

http://www.cudahy-wi.gov/visitors/tourism_commission/index.php

Or e-mail us to help market your events at:

cudahytourismcommission@ci.cudahy.wi.us

City of Cudahy Alderpersons:

1st District Alderperson

- Name: Justin Morales
- Phone Number: (H) 469-2294
- Address: 3528 E. Van Norman Ave.
- E-mail Address: jmoralez@ci.cudahy.wi.us

2nd District Alderperson

- Name: Mike Johnson
- Phone Number: (H) 687-5242
- Address: 3930 E. Grange Ave.
- E-mail Address: johnsonm@ci.cudahy.wi.us

3rd District Alderperson

- Name: Randy Hollenbeck
- Phone Number: (H) 483-7377
- Address: 2839 E. Holmes Ave.
- E-mail Address: rhollenbeck@ci.cudahy.wi.us

4th District Alderperson

- Name: Jason Litkowiec
- Phone Number: (H) 489-9287
- Address: 3707 E. Dale Ave.
- E-mail Address: litkowiecj@ci.cudahy.wi.us

5th District Alderperson

- Name: Michele St. Marie-Boelkow
- Phone Number: (H) 975-6503
- Address: 3966 E. Klieforth Ave.
- E-mail Address: st.marie-boelkowm@ci.cudahy.wi.us

Protecting Yourself from Becoming a Victim of Identity Theft

In today's world of ever-changing technologies, data breaches are becoming a much more common occurrence. In 2015 alone, there were 781 reported data breaches. Those affected by a data breach are three times more likely to become victims of identity theft.

What is identity theft?

Identity theft is the misuse of another's *personally identifiable information* to fraudulently obtain money, goods, services, jobs, medical treatments, government benefits, or to hide from law enforcement. Personally identifiable information includes the following: address, phone number, social security number, driver's license or passport number, date of birth, financial account numbers, pin numbers and passwords, and biometric data.

How does it happen?

There are many ways for criminals to obtain your personal information. A few of the most common methods, along with ways to mitigate these threats, are listed below.

Dumpster diving/stolen mail

Criminals can obtain personal information off of discarded mail offers and old bills/statements that may contain account information. Make sure to shred all documents with any personal information on them.

Social networking

Be aware of privacy settings in social media profiles, as well as how much information is contained on your profile. Strongly consider *not* including your full date of birth or name on any social media networks.

Data breaches

Monitor your bank and credit card statements, and report any unusual transactions immediately. Make use of free credit monitoring and free credit reports to check for new accounts opened using your information.

Skimming devices

Bluetooth Skimmers

Disable Wi-Fi device settings to automatically connect to open Wi-Fi connections. If you must use a public or open Wi-Fi, do not navigate to any websites that require you to enter account information, usernames, or passwords.

ATM Skimmers

Note any unusual looking card readers, and report anything suspicious. Monitor your bank and credit card statements, and report any unusual transactions immediately.

Phishing scams

Do not click on links or call phone numbers provided to you in emails, rather, navigate directly to the company website by typing in the appropriate URL yourself, or call the contact numbers provided in your account information.

Stolen wallet/phone

Don't carry sensitive documents like social security cards, birth certificates, etc, in your wallet. Make sure you know what types of cards were in your wallet, and where to call to report them stolen. For phones, keep a password lock on the phone, and disable settings that keep you logged in to applications or automatically save your usernames/passwords. It may also be beneficial to consider opting-in to remote erase options, in case your device ever was stolen.

Prevention Tips

The following list offers several suggestions that can help prevent becoming a victim of identity theft, as well as protect your personal information from getting into the wrong hands.

Know your Credit Report.

This will identify all open accounts and may identify any problems or fraudulent activity. Annualcreditreport.com is a government supported website that allows you to view your credit report for free one time each year from each of the three credit reporting agencies. You may choose to request a credit check from one of the three agencies (Equifax, Experian, TransUnion) every few months, essentially stretching out your three free credit reports to cover an entire year period. Pay close attention to the areas detailing recent inquiries, address information, and closed accounts, to make sure all information is correct with your recent activities.

Credit Opt-Out:

Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), the consumer credit reporting companies are permitted to include your name on lists used by creditors or insurers to make firm offers of credit or insurance that are not initiated by you. These are the pre-approved credit and insurance offers that you receive in the mail. They are often physically stolen by street criminals and submitted to receive a credit card in your name at their address. The FCRA also provides you the right to opt-out, which prevents consumer credit reporting companies from providing your credit file information to businesses³. o (U) Through the website www.optoutprescreen.com, you may request to opt-out from receiving such offers for five years. If you want to opt-out permanently, you can print a form that you must mail in.

Set up Fraud Alerts:

A fraud alert is an action that you can take to protect your identity from being used by criminals for financial gain. You can place an initial fraud alert on your credit report if you think that you have been the victim of identity theft. It can also be used if your wallet or purse has been stolen, if you've been a victim of a security breach, or even if you revealed too much personal information online or over the telephone. A fraud alert means that lenders must take extra precautions to verify your identity before granting credit in your name. Anyone can place a 90-day initial fraud alert in their credit report. This alert can be renewed in 90-day intervals indefinitely. To request the alert, you need to contact only one of the three credit bureaus. The chosen bureau will notify the others.

Credit Freeze:

A credit freeze locks all of an individual's personal data held by the U.S. consumer reporting agency until the individual gives permission to release the data. If your information stored by the three credit reporting bureaus is not available, no institution will allow the creation of a new account in your identity. This means no credit cards, bank accounts, or loans will be approved. This does not affect your current accounts or credit score³. o There is a \$10.00 to set a credit freeze for each of the credit reporting agencies; you must request a freeze from each one separately. However, currently each of the three credit bureaus voluntarily waives this fee for victims of identity theft.

What do I do if I become a victim?

If you believe you have been a victim of identity theft, there are some steps you can take to attempt to minimize the damages done to your credit reports and financial accounts².

1. Place a fraud alert on all of your accounts. You can do so online, or by calling each credit card or banking institution.
2. Request a credit freeze. This will stop any new accounts from being opened in your name.
3. Order your credit reports. You can check here to see if new inquiries have been placed or new accounts opened.
4. Submit a complaint about the theft to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at IdentityTheft.gov.
5. Report the fraud to local law enforcement and file a police report.
6. Continue to monitor your active accounts for signs of fraudulent transactions and report these to the institution immediately.

A “CARE FOR CUDAHY” PROGRAM UPDATE

Our City has recognized the need to encourage and promote property maintenance throughout our community. In response, the City of Cudahy utilizing Community Block Grant funding, created the Care For Cudahy property maintenance inspection program.

Since its beginnings in 2002, the Care For Cudahy (CFC) program inspectors have been working to preserve and enhance our neighborhoods and our quality of life. We focus on property maintenance issues such as peeling paint, broken or missing windows, damaged concrete, missing shingles, overflowing trash bins, and over grown yards, easements and alleyways. Usually the problems we address are small, but when they are let unattended, they can grow into large, unmanageable situations. Oftentimes, simple measures are the key to protecting our community and maintaining the property values of our homes.

From early in the spring each year until the first real frost hits the area in winter, our program actively reaches out into the City streets and alleys to preserve our property values and assure a clean and attractive City. During the course of an inspection season, over a thousand buildings are checked and rechecked, hundreds of calls are followed up on, and dozens of abandoned vehicles are tagged and dealt with.

The appearance and maintenance of your property not only impacts its market value, it impacts on the quality of life that you can expect within our City. This year’s inspections are scheduled to begin in April and please remember that you can utilize the City of Cudahy web page to view a copy of our CFC Inspection sheet. This information will assist property owners in addressing the items that are reviewed by our program.

I would like to thank my “neighbors”, the hundreds of property owners, residents, landlords and tenants that I have dealt with for their cooperation and hard work. I look forward to seeing many more of my “neighbors” this year. Let’s all pitch in and do our share as a community. – *Greg Witkowski, Community Service Officer.*

Milwaukee County Home Repair.

The Milwaukee County Housing Division provides a home repair program using Federal CDBG and HOME funds in County communities excluding West Allis and the City of Milwaukee. The program offers low interest and 0% interest loans to income qualified homeowners to make repairs, correct code violations, make modifications for accessibility, and eliminate lead paint hazards. Staff provides clients with a lead risk assessment, a detailed scope of work, and bids out work to be done. Homeowners receive a loan and sign contracts with approved contractors selected by the owner that are cost reasonable. After satisfactory completion, the County pays contractors from loan funds and the owner pays the county back over a period of several years. Listed below are income limits based on household size. **Please call 414-278-4917** if you are interested in applying for the program.

Household	Gross Annual		
Size	Income (2016)	Size	Income (2016)
1	\$41,100	7	\$46,950
2	\$46,950	8	\$52,800
3	\$52,800	9	\$58,650
4	\$58,650	10	\$63,350
5	\$63,350	11	\$68,050
6	\$68,050	***(HOME Program has a Maximum Home Value, \$182,875)	



Healthiest Cudahy Collaboration

Community Caring for Community

The Healthiest Cudahy Collaboration started off the year with a bang! Since January 2016, 11 new members have joined our efforts to address the health needs of our community. Each Task Force met to revisit and update their goals, with a focus on engaging and interacting with community members in mind. The Annual HCC Meeting was held in April to review these goals and to discuss any new or standing issues and ideas. If you would like to review the minutes from this meeting, visit the Cudahy Health Department Website or call 414-769-2239. The HCC is excited to announce its membership in the Alliance for Wisconsin Youth, a collective group of coalitions in Southeast Wisconsin. Please see the information below for more exciting updates from each Task Force!

Thank you for your commitment to address our community's health needs!

MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE

GRANT AWARD

Medication Take-Back

The Alliance for Wisconsin youth provided financial support to fund prescription medication collection from home-bound residents in effort to safely recycle and keep unused and expired medication out of the hands of children.

In October, the Cudahy Health Department and the Cudahy Police Department are teaming up to collect unused medications from two apartment complexes and the Kelly Senior Center in preparation for the National Medication take-back day, October 22.

A Call to Action

Clergy Summit

A call to action to change perception of dementia was announced at the Clergy Summit, which brought together over 25 Clergy People. Presentations included: Alzheimer's Association, Milwaukee Department on Aging, St. Luke's South Shore, and the North Shore Health Department.

HEALTHY GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

Join The Task Force!

Are you interested in helping children be healthy and happy? The HCC invites you to join the Healthy Growth & Development Task Force! Call 414-769-2239 for details!

2 WORKSITES

In order to better support breastfeeding mothers, the HCC has partnered with employers in the community to establish breastfeeding friendly worksites.

23 ASQ's

Up Next...

1st Annual Community Birthday Party!

The ASQ is an evidence-based tool used to evaluate a child's growth and development.

GRANT AWARD

EatPlayGrow

Prevention of childhood obesity was selected by our community as a priority area of the Cudahy Health Improvement Plan. Implementation of this project will assist with improving the health and well-being of the Cudahy Community.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION

IT'S YOUR HEALTH!

Lunch N Learn Series

Each month at the Kelly Senior Center through September, a presentation was delivered based on topics identified by participants.

Walk in Warnimont

The fall Walk in Warnimont is a community event that focuses on physical activity, nutrition, and overall health in both children and adults. Families gathered early in October to learn about staying healthy, participate in fun activities, and end the night by walking 1 or 2 miles together along the Oak Leaf Trail.

November 1-11

Halloween Candy Collection



"Cudahy organizations and citizens working together to address the health needs of the community."

fall family fun

WALK IN WARNIMONT

OCTOBER 7
6:00-7:30PM


WHERE THE FUN BEGINS
Kelly Senior Center 6100 S Lake Drive

THE WALK
1 or 2 Mile walk along the Oak Leaf Trail
Begins at the Kelly Senior Center at 6:30PM

Face
Painting

Ropes!
Hula Jump
Hoops!

Dental
Varnishing

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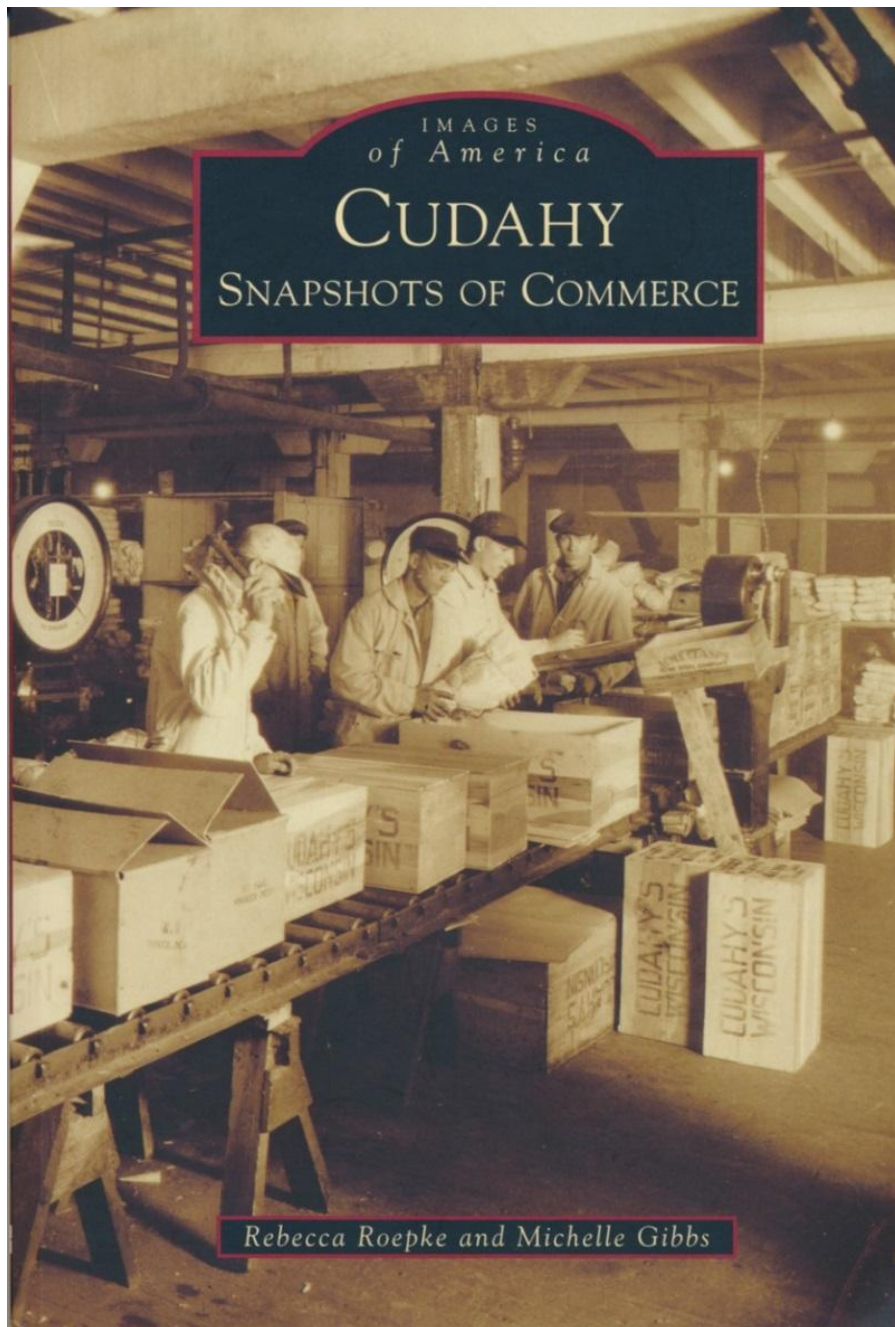
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CUDAHY FAMILY LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS...



NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!

Cudahy: Snapshots of Commerce

A brand new book written by two of our librarians! Learn more about the history of Cudahy's business community, from Dretzka's to The Gift Shoppe, from Cudahy Brothers to Milwaukee Cylinder as you page through pictures both old and new. Makes a great gift for family, neighbors, and friends both near and far!

Copies available for purchase at the Circulation Desk for \$21.99 or by calling 414/769-2244. All proceeds benefit the Cudahy Family Library.

As of Monday, September 19, 2016, the Library's north entrance was closed for the first phase of a renovation project of the north lawn. The existing walkway is being removed and a new walkway and pergolas will be installed. The project's second phase will start in spring, 2017, and will include outdoor seating areas, a small amphitheater, and additional parking stalls. The entire project is being funded with donations. Stop by the Library to check out the complete plans and to get information about how you can help!



Cudahy Family Library Fall 2016 Activities

Children's and Teen events

Storytimes, Singalongs, and Sensory Playdates

Babies & Toddlers & Books (Birth-36 months)-A special time to read and sing with our youngest friends! **Mondays @ 10:15 am.** No registration is required. Siblings are welcome.

Preschool Storytime (3,4,& 5 year olds)-Come read and rhyme with us! Stories and crafts just right for preschoolers. **Mondays @ 11:00 am.** No registration is required. Siblings are welcome.

Evening Storytime (3 years old and up)-Stories and crafts in the evening. **Thursdays @ 6:30 pm.** No registration is required.

Family Singalong -Singalong with family and friends. **Thursdays @ 10:15 am.** No registration is required.

Sensory Playdates-Select Fridays in the Ladish Room. **October 14 @ 10:15 am.** No registration is required.

Elementary Clubs

Lego Club-Come build Legos with us. **Tuesday, October 4 @ 4pm.** Grades 1-5. No registration is required.

Cooking Club-Join us for cooking club and make a tasty snack. **Tuesday, October 11 @ 4pm.** Grades 1-5. No registration is required.

Read Together Club- Have fun reading with friends at Read Together Club. **Tuesday, October 18 @ 4pm.** Grades 1-5. No registration is required.

Art Club-Show us your creativity at Art Club.

Tuesday, October 25 @ 4pm. Grades 1-5. No registration is required.

Makerspace-Design, build, and invent during Makerspace Club.

Wednesday, October 12 @ 6:30pm. Grades 1-5.

No registration is required.

Teen

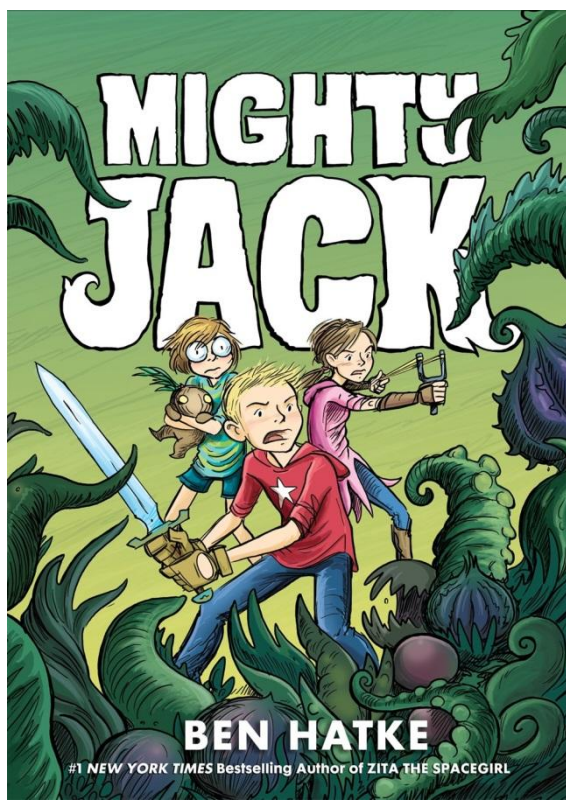
Teen Craft Club-Drop in mystery craft. **Wednesday, October 5 @ 5pm.** Ages 12-18. No registration is required.

Teen Trivia Night- **Wednesday, October 12 @ 5pm.** Ages 12-18.

No registration is required.

Teen Book Club- **Wednesday, October 19 @ 5pm.** Ages 12-18.

No registration is required.



Tuesday, October 4, 2016 6:30 PM in the Winter Garden

We are delighted to host a special visit from Ben Hatke, author of *Zita the Spacegirl* and *Mighty Jack*. Boswell Book Company will be available for book sales. Light refreshments will be provided. **FREE**, no registration is required.

**Monday, October 31, 2016 10:15 AM and 11:00 AM in the
Ladish Room**



Join us for Boo-a-palooza, a special storytime with Miss Jamie and Miss Paula. Enjoy scary, but not too scary, stories, crafts, and snacks. Come in costume. Ages birth-5. **FREE**, no registration is required. Watch our website for more information.

Genealogy 101**Saturday, October 1, 2016 9:30 am – 11:30 am**

Certified genealogist Diane Piedt will share how to get started in genealogical research. She will discuss how to fill out charts and family group sheets, research techniques, working with census records, and great websites to consult. **Program is free of charge, but please call 414-769-2244 to register.**

Thursday, October 6, 2016 from 6-8PM

Free Lecture by Dr. Tony Papiro – **Freedom From Test Anxiety**. This lecture will be about school stress and how to overcome it.

November is American Indian Heritage Month!**Sunday, November 6, 2016 from 6-8PM**

Ms. Charlene Smith, an American Indian from a Wisconsin Tribe, will talk about her tribe's customs, beliefs, history and daily living.

All presentations are free, all are welcome.

Upcoming Adult Programs at the Cudahy Family Library**Feel the Love with Chicken Soup, presented by Joan Tendler****Tuesday, October 11, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm**

Joan will discuss the benefits of homemade chicken broth, sharing the science behind why it is good for you and her recipes for chicken soup.

I Love Yarn Day, organized by Mary Hallfeld**Friday, October 14, 10:00 am - 3:30 pm**

Spend the day with fellow yarn-lovers, learn about craft groups in the area, shop for yarn and gifts, and view demonstrations at this fun annual event!

A HARVEST TASTING, library fundraising event**Friday, October 21, 7:00 pm - 10:30 pm**

Join us for a fun evening featuring distinguished wines, craft beers, and delectable food! Includes a silent auction, raffle drawing, and entertainment by The BriTins, Milwaukee's premier Beatles tribute band. Tickets \$30-45; inquire at the Circulation Desk or by calling 414/769-2244.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LIBRARY WILL CLOSE AT 1:00 ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST TO SET UP FOR THIS EVENT

Friends of Cudahy Library **VENDOR & CRAFT FAIR****Saturday, November 12, 9:00 am -4:00 pm**

Support local vendors and crafters as well as the Library!

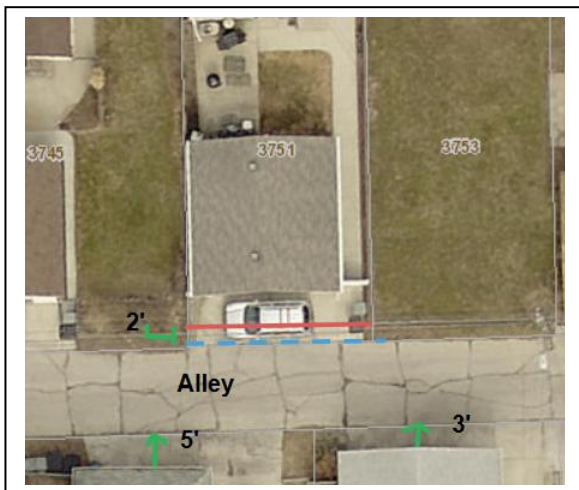
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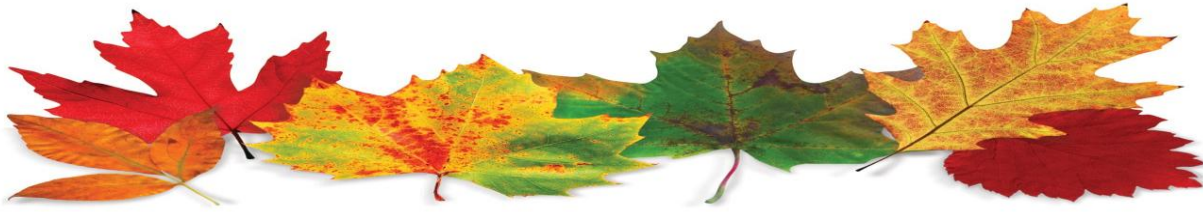
Parking and Obstructing Alley

The City, Utility companies and those contracted to do work for the City are having a very difficult time doing work within alleys due to vehicles or portions of vehicles that block full use of the alley. The alleys are narrow and plowing equipment, garbage trucks and utility trucks need the full width of the alley to drive down. Occupants of properties along the alley are parking vehicles alongside the alley or on driveway aprons that are not wide enough. In addition, movers or contractors doing work on a property park their truck, equipment, landscape material, lumber, etc., near or on the alley temporarily which blocks the alley for the garbage & recycling truck. Typically the garbage truck and plowing equipment need 2' of clearance between the truck and an obstruction.

If the vehicle is parked alongside the alley or on a driveway apron, the truck cannot safely pass. Hitting a vehicle or obstruction is registered as a violation on the driver's record. Because the individual that drives the plow truck, garbage truck or utility equipment carry a commercial driver's license, the law is even stricter as to how many violations they can have before they lose their license. Since having a CDL is their livelihood, neither the City nor any private company can force a driver to proceed through an alley that does not have the proper clearance. If a truck can't get through it means your garbage or recycling will not be collected, your alley will not get plowed and there will be delays to get utility lines repaired or replaced.

The City has had a long standing ordinance that restricts parking in or near an alley, but has not done active enforcement. However, because we are experiencing significant issues with trying to get garbage and recycling picked up due to poor clearances in alleys, the City's Police Department will be doing active patrol through alleys both day and nighttime and will be ticketing vehicles or equipment that are within 2' of the edge of the alley pavement. If they are blocking the alley they will be towed at the cost of the vehicle/equipment owner. This includes weekends as snow doesn't pick a day to fall. If enforcement and compliance does not change the situation and we are unable to provide City services through the public alleyways, than the City will have to consider other options that will significantly impact property owner's that abut alleyways.





FALL LEAF COLLECTION

SCHEDULE:

The Department of Public Works will begin fall leaf collection on October 17th. You may rake your leaves to the curb **until November 18th**. After that date you will have to bag your leaves in a re-usable container or paper bag and take it to the City's Drop-off Site. The City cannot accept leaves & yard waste in plastic bags.

There is **no set day or schedule** and it is done based on crew and equipment availability.

Leaves are not picked up every week.

The crew will be doing its **LAST LEAF PICK-UP between November 21 to November 23rd. Once they are through your street – that is it for the year. DO NOT place leaves in the City right of way after the DPW crew has come through.** Typically the City gets its first snow fall the week after the Thanksgiving holiday. Due to snow & freezing temperatures, leaf pick-up after the Thanksgiving holiday becomes very difficult. Most residents are very good at complying but we always get a few that leave it to the last minute which causes increased cost for the Department. Therefore, if the City finds that leaves are deposited in the City right of way in front of your property after the City has gone through your street – the City will treat it as an abatement and **charge the property owner \$180 for the removal.**

HELPFUL TIPS:

- The Department requests that you refrain from piling leaves into piles higher than 1' above the curb, as the leaf collecting equipment is unable to pick-up large piles. Large piles are also a safety hazard as children like to hide in them.
- Please keep leaf piles a minimum of 10' away from storm drains to prevent the storm sewer from getting clogged.
- **Do not place woody material such as branches or shrubs in the leaf pile.** The crew will have to go around the pile because the branches get stuck in the equipment causing it to shut down.
- Do not put material in containers or bags & please no fruit or vegetables.

Fall Yard Waste Collection – November 2 to November 6

Plant materials and garden waste can be placed in the curb line with your leaves for this week only.

- **Have your yard waste out by that Monday, November 2** – there is no set schedule.
- Please no bags, boxes or containers.
- **Absolutely NO trees, branches, or brush.** Piles with branches will be skipped as the material collected is taken to a facility that can't process woody material.
- Please **No fruit** from fruit trees as this creates a mess

Cudahy Drop-Off Center

5631 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

Open to residential property owners with a Drop-Off ticket.

Fall 2016

October 2, 2016 to December 11, 2016

Open Saturdays only from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Closed Saturday November 26, 2016

December 12, 2016 to April 7, 2017

CLOSED

Summer 2017

April 8, 2017 to September 30, 2017

Thursdays: 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Closed Saturday May 27th & September 2, 2017

Fall 2017

October 7, 2017 to December 9, 2017

Open Saturdays only 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Closed Saturday November 25, 2017

Extra Garbage & Recyclables during the Holiday Season

During the holidays people tend to generate more garbage & recycling than normal. Please do not stack extra items on top of your cart or next to it. Not only will the extra items not be picked up but your cart will not be picked up as well. The City's Garbage Collection Contractor is only required to pick-up a cart that is clear of obstructions and where the garbage or recyclables are contained within the cart and the lid is secure.

Residents can bring extra holiday trash and recyclables (cardboard, bottles, cans) to the City's Drop-Off Site on Thursday, December 29, 2016 between the hours of 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Materials other than holiday trash (in garbage bags) and recyclables (cardboard, bottles, cans) will not be accepted. **Residents will not be required to use their drop-off/recycling tickets but will be required to show a picture ID with a Cudahy residential address. The limit is one trip per residential property.**

Holiday Garbage Pick-up

Thanksgiving Day will be on Friday Nov. 25

Christmas & New Year there will be no interruption of service

Holiday Tree Pick-up

The Cudahy DPW will be collecting holiday trees placed by the curb (not the alley) from Tuesday, January 3, 2017 to Friday, January 20, 2017. Please make sure the tree is visible and not covered with snow. Wreaths & garland should be placed in your garbage cart as they cannot be chipped.

Dumpsters in Streets

The City allows the temporary placement of a dumpster on certain streets for short periods of time. Anyone wishing to do so must first obtain a permit from the Department of Public Works prior to the placement of the dumpster. A dumpster permit application requires that you or the dumpster company provide a certificate of insurance when applying for the permit and pay any necessary permit fees. For more information on placing a dumpster in the street please contact the Department of Public Works. Dumpsters placed in the street without a permit or for a period of more than 4 weeks will be abated without notice.



Tree Trimming – Tree Removal

The Department of Public Works trims street trees during the months from December 1st to April 1st when disease and pests are typically dormant. Trimming a tree exposes the tree to disease like a cut on skin exposes you to infection. There are no Band-Aids for trees so we expose the tree during a time when they are less likely to get infected. We do not have the resources to get all the trimming done throughout the City. In addition the City has nearly 400 dead or compromised trees due to several diseases that will also have to be addressed with those same resources.

Packard Avenue North Sewer & Water Project

A project that will include the replacement of deteriorating sewer and water main on Packard Avenue between Lunham Avenue and Cudahy Avenue is currently underway. The replacement of the 100 year old infrastructure is being done in advance of the road reconstruction work that will follow in 2017. The road will be shut down completely between Lunham and Cudahy Ave. for the next several months with the primary detour route on Kingan Ave. between Lunham and Plankinton. The City will keep Allerton Avenue open for cross traffic to facilitate pick up and drop off for parents at Lincoln Elementary School. We ask that everyone take note of the closure, slow down, and follow the traffic control signs posted throughout the area. Updates and additional information for this project is located on the City's website under the engineering tab.





Winter Reminders from the Department of Public Works

Snow Clearing Operations - During a snow storm the City sends plows to “open” and maintain the driving lanes of a roadway. Since there are not enough plows or DPW employees to cover the more than 59 centerline miles of City roadway, the Public Works Department has to make critical choices during every snow event. The number one priority is safety. Therefore attention is given to the roadways that have a higher volume of traffic. Those get plowed or salted first. After the main roadways are addressed the Department clears/salts secondary roadways where there are School zones followed by low volume or residential streets. Alleys are low priority and may not get attended to during snow events until all City streets have at least been cleared and salted. Parking lanes are often times not plowed until the storm has past. Clearing/widening of the street is done at night when street parking is limited.

The City does not have a bare pavement policy. This means that parking lanes, secondary streets and alleys are not salted to get down to bare pavement. Due to the close proximity to Lake Michigan the City restricts its use of salt and other de-icing chemicals. This means that lower volume –lower speed roadways get far less salt then do major roadways. This policy has been in place for years to protect Lake Michigan since salt and deicing chemicals are very corrosive to the environment and do not “disappear” once they are in Lake Michigan. Many people get upset when the roadways or alleys are not down to bare pavement, but adding more salt adds more issues to the quality of the Lake and the quality of your drinking water. So be responsible - get a good set of tires and drive according to conditions

It is unlawful to throw, blow or shovel snow and slush into the street or alley. If you hire someone to clear your driveway of snow or you yourself do it – remember **you cannot push, blow or drag the snow out into the street or alley and “loose it along the street” or push it across the street to the other side.** When you are clearing sidewalks, turn the snow blower chute towards the building side of the sidewalk to prevent the snow from piling up and rolling back into the street. In alleys – do not throw snow back into the alley.

The Department will clear an alley once at the end of each snow fall. After the City has cleared the alley, it will be up to property owners to maintain a clear and passable alley. If the alley is not maintained in a good enough condition that the City’s garbage collection company feels is adequate for their trucks – the garbage collection company will not pick-up your garbage. So it is vital that property owners keep the snow out of the alley and maintain a clear alley in front of their properties throughout the winter months.

Sidewalks need to be cleared within 24 hours of a snow or icing event: The City codes make it the responsibility of the “owner, occupant or person in charge of any building or lot” to completely remove snow and ice from the abutting public sidewalk within 24 hours after each snow/ice event. Between storms it is the responsibility of the property owner to check the sidewalk for ice and salt or sand the walk to prevent slips and falls. If the sidewalks are not kept clear of snow and ice, the City, **without notice**, will do the work and bill the cost to the owner. Minimum charge is \$138.00.



Cudahy Fire Department

Station #1 769-2231 Station #2 769-2233
4626 S. Packard Ave. 3115 E. Ramsey Ave.



From time to time Cudahy citizens receive phone solicitations for donations to an organization claiming to represent the Cudahy Fire Department. Be advised that the Cudahy Fire Department does not solicit donations by telephone.

Fall Back! Change Batteries

With the changing of the clocks, it is also time to change the batteries in your **smoke and CO detectors**. Make sure the unit operates when you press the test button. If the unit is older than ten years, or you have no idea how old it is, it is time to replace the unit. New units have a ten year lithium battery. Ensure there is a smoke detector on every level of your home especially near or in sleeping areas.

September is Preparedness Month

Governor Scott Walker had proclaimed September as Preparedness Month. The campaign is encouraging Wisconsin families to prepare now before disaster strikes.

Make sure you talk about what to do during an emergency and consider special needs of each family member. A senior may need additional assistance walking up or down stairs to seek shelter. Young children may need diapers, food, and toys when families are asked to evacuate during an emergency. Also, don't forget about your pet's needs.

When putting together your emergency disaster kits for your home and vehicles make sure you include important specialty items for family members. Keep a contact list of current phone numbers of families and friends who could assist during an emergency. Don't forget to take along your medication(s), items for your pets such as food, water and leashes, etc. It may take a while before help arrives so it is important to have those items available. If you or a family member has allergies, diabetes, cardiac conditions or other serious health issues, consider wearing a medical alert dog tag or bracelet. If you are injured or sick and unable to talk, these tags will alert first responders and medical personnel that you have a condition that they should be aware of. You can visit <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov> for more preparedness tips and information.

Winter Fire Safety Tips

The high cost of home heating fuels and utilities have caused many Americans to search for alternate sources of home heating. The use of wood burning stoves and space heaters is growing. Many people are also burning wood as well as manmade logs in fireplaces. These all can be a major contributing factor in residential fires. Many of these fires can be prevented. The following fire safety tips can help you maintain a fire safe home this winter.

- Be sure your space heater is in good working condition. Inspect exhaust parts for carbon buildup. Be sure the heater has an emergency shut off in case the heater is tipped over.
- Be sure the fireplace or stove is installed properly. Woodstoves should have adequate clearance (36") from combustible surfaces, and proper floor support and protection.
- Have your chimney inspected annually and cleaned if necessary, especially if it hasn't been used for some time.

Teach yourself CPR in your own home

CPR and early defibrillation in the first minutes following a heart attack is vital in ensuring a positive outcome for the patient. Currently, in Milwaukee County, bystanders are performing CPR only about 20% of the time when first responders arrive at the scene of a cardiac arrest.

The Cudahy Fire Department is part of a County wide initiative designed to dramatically increase the availability of CPR training. Both Cudahy Fire stations have bins available which contain a locally produced training DVD,

training mannequin, and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) trainer, which will allow for free, self-directed basic compression only CPR training in the comfort of your own home. The initiative is supported by a grant from the American Heart Association as well as matching support from Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin and in-kind support from WISN TV-Milwaukee (Channel 12).

The bins are available for check-out and can be picked up from Fire station #1 at 4626 S. Packard Ave. or Fire Station #2 at 3115 E. Ramsey Ave. Please contact us at 769-2247 with any questions or to inquire about CPR training.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a deadly, colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. It is produced by the incomplete burning of various fuels, including coal, wood, charcoal, oil, kerosene, propane, and natural gas. Products and equipment powered by internal combustion engines such as portable generators, cars, and lawn mowers also produce CO. Like smoke detectors a CO detector could save your life or the life of someone you care about. Combination smoke and CO detectors can be purchased at any local store.

Project Concern "Socktober"

Project Concern is organizing a sock drive for the entire month of October. New socks will be collected at both Cudahy Fire stations as well as Project Concern located at 4611 S. Kirkwood Ave. (414) 744-0645. Please consider helping others in our community.

Holiday Safety

Every year over 300 fires are caused by holiday decorations. Here are some life saving tips:

*Use only a fresh cut tree, and be sure to keep it watered.

*Use hot tap water to fill the water reservoir, this will help to keep the sap flowing.

*Check all electrical decorations for damage. Follow the manufactures recommendations for hours of usage and areas for proper installation. Frayed or damaged wires are an invitation for fire.

*Do not overload outlets, or install too many light strings together. Overloading circuits and wires can cause overheating and lead to a fire.

*Another key point to remember is not to block doorways. If there is a fire, the normal pathways out of your home will be critical. Blocking that path with decorations could be the difference between escaping the fire and being trapped.

Adopt a fire hydrant



As winter approaches, the Fire Department asks that all residents watch for snow around the fire hydrants. Please keep a three foot area around the hydrant clear of snow. This helps fire fighters find the hydrants during an emergency and keeps the hydrant in working order so they are ready when needed.

Residential Knox Box Program,

Designed to promote a lock box outside the home to allow firefighters to gain entry during a serious medical condition. The lock box is very similar to those required by commercial buildings. These boxes can only be opened by the **Cudahy Fire Department**. The fire department is currently marketing this program to people who live alone with a serious medical condition. For more information on a Knox box please call the Cudahy Fire Department (414) 769-2233.



NEWS FROM YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT....

Cudahy Takes Leadership Role in County and Statewide Homicide Prevention Efforts

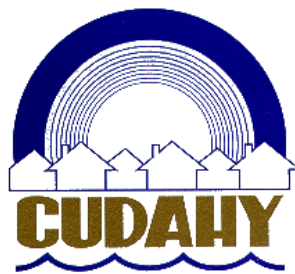
By Cudahy Police Chief Thomas D. Poellot and Assistant Wisconsin Attorney General Peter M. Tempelis

Intimate partner homicide directly impacts the community at its foundation. Victims often include an offender's intimate partner, their children, and even bystanders within the community. In recognition of the toll near-fatal domestic violence and homicide takes on families and the community, Milwaukee County law enforcement, led by Cudahy Chief of Police and Sojourner Family Peace Center board member Thomas D. Poellot; prosecutors; and Sojourner advocates implemented the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), which became the largest grant-funded implementation in the country.

The effort began in December 2012, after discussion about the effectiveness of the Chronic Offender Outreach Program, a successful 2010 pilot partnership between the Milwaukee Police Department and the District Attorney's Office. The initiative provided elevated service, including advocacy, to those in high risk relationships and improved accountability. The countywide partners hoped to expand that model with a research-based approach. LAP provided the answer. LAP is a two-step process by which the responding officer engages in a lethality assessment screen to determine whether a victim is high danger, and then refers such victims directly to a hotline for advocacy service. The screen, which was validated last year, identifies risk factors for homicide. It is based on Dr. Jacquelyn Campbell's decades of research of 4,000 attempted and completed homicides in ten, diverse metropolitan jurisdictions.

Thanks to funding support by the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ), all Milwaukee County partners were trained in December 2014. Countywide implementation occurred by June 2015, through Chief Poellot's leadership on behalf of the Milwaukee County Law Enforcement Executives Association, which includes the District Attorney's Office. In January 2016, Milwaukee County continued implementation with the benefit of the Sojourner Family Peace Center, the largest, most comprehensive facility of its type in the nation. The aim is to enhance collaboration between partners and improve service, not only to prevent homicide but also adverse childhood experiences that promote family violence. Thanks to Milwaukee County's leadership and assistance, LAP expands statewide in September 2016. There will be three regional Wisconsin "train-the-trainer" programs, which will include a presentation by Chief Poellot, who Attorney General Brad Schimel named Wisconsin's 2016 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Each program will include a renewed focus on abuse in later life.

For more information about LAP, please visit <http://mnadv.org/lethality/>. To reach Sojourner's 24-hour confidential hotline, call 414-933-2722. To report elder abuse of any kind, please contact your local police department or the DOJ hotline at 1-800-488-3780.



WATER UTILITY

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CUDAHY, WI 53110-6108

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(414) 769-2234

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Lead Awareness and Drinking Water Safety

Lead is not found in Cudahy's source water or public water system. However, lead can enter water as the result of the wearing away of materials containing lead in building fixtures, internal plumbing, or in the service line that brings water to your home. When water stands for several hours or more in fixtures or pipes that contain lead, the lead may leach into the water. It is also possible that physical disturbance of the piping may release lead into the water.

Since 1994, the Cudahy Water Utility has safely treated its water with ortho-phosphate to reduce the risk of lead leaching from plumbing materials into water. This compound forms a protective coating inside pipes and is considered to be the best practice for the control of lead in drinking water. However, some homes are more at risk for lead in drinking water due to characteristics of the plumbing at the individual residence.

Which homes are most at risk of having lead in drinking water?

- Homes with lead household plumbing. A licensed plumber can determine if your household plumbing may be made of lead. Lead pipes are dull gray in color and are soft enough to be easily scratched with a house key.
- Homes with copper pipe and lead solder installed between 1982 and 1987. Lead-based solder was banned for use after this time.
- Homes with faucets or fittings of brass which contain some lead. Since January 1, 2014, only lead-free fixtures and fittings are allowed to be installed or used to repair drinking water plumbing. Plumbing and fixtures installed before these dates or purchased from sources outside of the United States may contain lead.
- Homes where the service line connecting the water main in the street to the building is made of lead. Approximately 1500 properties in the Cudahy Water Utility service area constructed before 1950 are known to have lead service lines.

Easy steps to reduce the risk of lead in your drinking water

There are several easy things you can do to reduce your exposure to lead in drinking water. These actions are particularly important if pregnant or breastfeeding women or children under the age of 6 live in your home.

1. Flush your plumbing. Before using tap water for drinking or cooking, flush your plumbing by running the kitchen faucet (or any other tap you take drinking or cooking water from) on cold for a minimum of 3 minutes, and longer if necessary, until the water stream is noticeably colder. This is especially important if your water has been sitting in your pipes for more than six hours. Showering, doing laundry and flushing the toilet all help clear water from the pipes. Bathing, showering, and doing laundry in water from lead services lines or lead plumbing is safe. To conserve water, you can also reserve the flushed water and use for watering household plants or outdoor plants. You may also want to consider filling a clean container(s) with water from the flushed tap, and reserving this water for drinking, cooking, or other consumption.

2. Use only cold water for cooking and drinking. Water from the hot water tap can dissolve lead more easily than cold water. Boiling water will not reduce the amount of lead in your drinking or cooking water. In fact, boiling can concentrate the lead in water. You can also consider purchasing bottled water from a known lead-free source for drinking and cooking.

3. Inspect your faucet aerator. The aerator on the end of your faucet is a screen that can catch debris, including particles of lead. It is recommended to periodically remove the aerator and rinse out any debris.

4. Purchase a home filtration system. Home drinking water filtration systems or water filtering pitchers can reduce or eliminate lead. Be sure to look for products certified by NSF/ANSI under Standard 53 for removal of lead and follow any manufacturer's guidelines on installation and maintenance of the product. Find a list of products at www.nsf.org.

5. Replace your lead service line or interior plumbing. Lead pipe is shiny when scraped with a screwdriver, and a magnet will not stick to it. (Galvanized steel pipe is dull when scraped and a magnet will stick to it.) Replacement must be done by a licensed plumber under contract from the homeowner.

In addition, you may wish to consider having children under the age of 6 and pregnant or breastfeeding women tested for lead in their blood. Lead has no beneficial role in the body and there is no minimum lead level that does not cause effects. Most lead poisoned people do not look or act sick. Children up to age 6 should have a blood lead test if there is no record of a previous test, if they live in housing built before 1978 with recent or ongoing renovation, or if they have a sibling or playmate who has lead poisoning. Pregnant or breastfeeding women who were exposed to lead at an early age or are at risk of lead exposure due to their environment, occupation, or hobbies should also get tested.

For more tips and information on drinking water safety and lead, please visit the following websites:

<http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/tips/water.htm>

<http://water.epa.gov/drink/info/lead/lead1.cfm>

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/drinkingwater/documents/forms/lead.pdf> http://city.milwaukee.gov/health/disease-Control-and-Environment/Drinking-Water.htm#.Va_OTWpFAdV

If you have questions about lead in drinking water, call the Cudahy Water Utility at (414) 769-2234. If you have questions about the health effects related to lead in drinking water, contact the Cudahy Health Department at (414) 769-2239.

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Cleaning Your Aerators

Many taps have an aerator as part of the faucet assembly. Aerator screens are not intended to remove contaminants in the water, but may trap sediment or debris as water passes through the faucet. Lead-bearing sediment may end up in drinking water from physical corrosion of leaded solder and can build up in the aerator over time.



Step 1. Remove the aerator by twisting off with hands or pliers.



Step 2. One or more parts are contained within the aerator. Note the order and orientation of the parts as you remove them.



Step 3. Rinse the pieces with water and brush off the debris. For deposits that are difficult to remove, soak the parts in water for a few minutes and scrub with a toothbrush. Backwashing aerator components is also an effective cleaning method for many aerator types. Hold the removed aerator upside down under flowing water to backwash screens and mesh filters.



Step 4. Reassemble the aerator, screw it back onto the faucet and hand-tighten. If any parts are cracked or broken, replace them. If the washer has hardened it should be replaced.

What Does a Lead Service Line Look Like?



Lead service lines are generally a dull gray color and are very soft. You can identify them easily by carefully scratching with a key. If the pipe is made of lead, the area you've scratched will turn a bright silver color. Do not use a knife or other sharp instrument and take care not to puncture a hole in the pipe.



Lead service lines can be connected to the residential plumbing using solder and have a characteristic solder "bulb" at the end, a compression fitting, or other connector made of galvanized iron or brass/bronze.



Lead service lines often end just inside the front or side wall of the home, but may extend further into the building as shown, where the lead service line comes out of the basement floor to the water meter and then back into the floor, continuing further into the building.



If your home has a water meter, your water meter may be in your home or in a "meter pit" or "meter vault" as shown above.

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